

Agenda

Multi-stakeholder Workshop on Statistics on Cooperatives
5-6 April 2016 – FAO Headquarters, Rome, Italy

The ILO recommendation No.193 (2002) and subsequent ILO resolution concerning further work on statistics on cooperatives adopted at the 19th International Conference of Labour Statisticians (ICLC) in 2013 encourage governments to ensure that national policies seek to improve statistics on cooperative enterprises, with a view to formulating and implementing development policies. Moreover, the recently adopted Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) recognise the role of cooperatives as implementing development partners. These commitments highlight the need for improved quality of statistics on cooperatives, in order to understand and advance the economic and social role of cooperatives in sustainable development.

COPAC is carrying out an initiative to improve the quality of statistics on cooperatives, including by developing a harmonised concept, definition and methodology for generating comparable cooperative statistics. This workshop is an important opportunity to bring together COPAC members and other relevant stakeholders in order to present the findings from the first phase of the initiative undertaken by the FAO and ILO. It will also help move toward a common understanding of the broader agenda to advance the work on improving information and statistics on cooperatives, including leading up to the 20th ICLC in October 2018.

The objectives of the workshop are to:

- Present the findings from the global mapping and country case studies by the ILO and FAO and gather feedback and inputs from participants;
- Identify and agree on key areas for future joint work during 2016-17, also within the framework of the SDGs, to improve the accessibility and generation of statistics on cooperatives, including the following areas:
 - identification of the definitions, data collection methods and classification schemes currently used in official statistics on cooperatives around the world;
 - development of proposals for a standard, operational definition of cooperatives and data collection methods;
 - contributions to the process for the development of international guidelines on cooperative statistics and methodologies for collection of data, to be proposed to the October 2018 ICLC.

5TH APRIL 2016 (DAY 1): Setting the scene

Moderated by Charles Gould, Director-General, International Co-operative Alliance

08.30 **Registration**

09.00 – 09.10 **Opening**

Welcome and introductions on statistics on cooperatives

Marcela Villarreal, Director, Office for Office for Partnerships, Advocacy and Capacity Development, FAO

09.10 – 09.30	<p>Roadmap on cooperative statistics from the resolution to guidelines (2013-2018) <i>Mustafa Hakki Ozel, Head, Statistical Coordination and Special Topics Unit, ILO STATISTICS</i></p>
09.30 – 09.55	<p>ILO’s global mapping study and proposed methodology <i>Regina Galbardi, Senior Economist, ILO STATISTICS</i></p>
09.55 – 10.35	<p>Global-level data collection: Methodologies and challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - World Co-operative Monitor <i>Gianluca Salvatori, CEO, Euricse</i> - Global Census of Cooperatives <i>David Grace, David Grace & Associates</i> - ‘Cooperatives and Employment: A Global Report’ <i>Hyungsik Eum, Data Analyst, CICOPA</i>
10.35 – 10.55	Q&A
10.55 – 11.15	Break
11.15 – 11.45	<p>Presentation of ILO country case studies Costa Rica, France, Italy, South Korea, and Spain <i>Hyungsik Eum, ILO Consultant and Data Analyst at CICOPA</i></p>
11.45 – 12.05	<p>Responses and national insights Costa Rica Italy</p>
12.05 – 12.25	<p>Presentation of FAO country case studies Ethiopia and Vietnam <i>Ghulam Marri, FAO</i></p>
12.25 – 12.45	<p>Responses and national insights Ethiopia Vietnam</p>
12.45 – 13.00	Q&A
13.00 – 14.10	Lunch break
14.10 – 14.30	<p>Innovative national approaches to cooperative statistics <i>Ministry of Cooperatives, Labour and Social Welfare, Centre for Strategical Statistics and Information, Iran</i> <i>Cooperatives Directorate General, Ministry of Customs and Trade/TurkSTAT, Turkey</i></p>
14.30 – 14.45	Q&A
14.45 – 16.00	<p>Findings and key issues: Presentation of discussion document and facilitated discussion <i>Hyungsik Eum</i></p>

- 16.00 – 16.20 **Break**
- 16.20 – 17.00 **Wrap-up and preparation of break-out groups for Day 2**
Hyungsik Eum

6TH APRIL 2016 (DAY 2): DEVELOPING A ROADMAP

- 08.30 **Registration**

- 09.00 – 10.00 **Brainstorming further action**

Participants will work in break-out groups on a specific issue or issues elaborated during Day 1, exploring possible actions that could be included in a roadmap for future joint work.

Facilitated by Hyungsik Eum and Mariagrazia Rocchigianni, Capacity Development Expert, Cooperatives and Producer Organizations, FAO

- 10.00 – 10.30 **Break-out group reports**

- 10.30 – 10.50 **Break**

- 10.50 – 11.50 **Developing a roadmap for future joint work**

Participants will combine the results of the presentations and break-out work to develop a roadmap for future action on cooperative statistics, to include follow-up activities, milestones to achieve, and actors to be engaged.

Facilitated by Hyungsik Eum

- 11.50 – 12.00 **Conclusions and follow-up**
Marcela Villarreal, Director, Office for Office for Partnerships, Advocacy and Capacity Development, FAO